

COMP 1002

Intro to Logic for Computer Scientists

Lecture 11









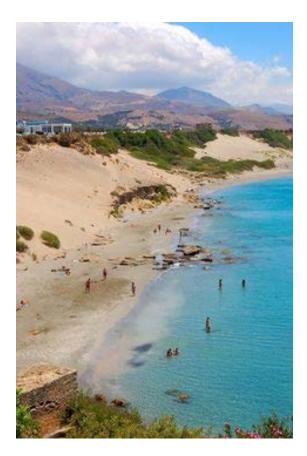
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- The negation of "all" is "exists",
 - just like the negation of "and" is "or"
- So if Epimenides lied, what is true is that there are some truth-tellers on Crete (and potentially some liars, too)
- And Epimenides is one of the liars.
- However, "I am lying" would be a paradox.



"NOT" makes life harder

- It is easy to visualize a tree, a number, or a person. It is harder to visualize a "not a tree", "not a number" or "not a person"
- So "NOT (ALL trees have leaves)" is harder to understand than "some trees have something other than leaves (e.g., needles).
- Here we really need to pay attention to the domain of quantifiers! It stays the same when negating.
 - Not all integers are even: $\neg (\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \ Even(x))$
 - Some integers are not even $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z} \neg Even(x)$





Mixing quantifiers

- We can make statements of predicate logic mixing existential and universal quantifiers.
- Order of variables under the same quantifier does not matter. Under different ones does.
 - Predicate: Loves(x,y). Domain: people.
 - Everybody loves somebody: ∀x ∃y Loves(x,y)



Normal people



- Mother Teresa
- Everybody is loved by somebody ∀x ∃y Loves(y,x)
 - Their mother
- Somebody is loved by everybody ∃x ∀y Loves(y,x)
 - Elvis Presley
- Everybody is loved by everybody \U0076x Vy Loves(x,y)
 - Domain is a good family (not Meow-stery family)



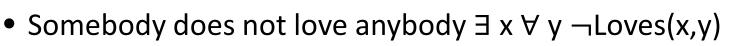




Negating mixed quantifiers



- Now, a "not" in front of such a sentence means all ∀ and ∃ are interchanged, and the inner part becomes negated.
 - Everybody loves somebody: ∀x ∃y Loves(x,y)



- Can also say "Somebody loves nobody" in English.
- Not the same as "somebody does not love everybody": here, "somebody does not (love everybody)" meaning ∃x ¬ (∀y Loves(x, y) ≡ ∃x ∃y ¬Loves(x, y)
- But the formula $\exists x \exists y \neg Loves(x, y)$ is the negation of $\forall x \forall y Loves(x, y)$





Negating mixed quantifiers

- Everybody loves somebody: ∀x ∃y Loves(x,y)
 - Somebody does not love anybody ∃ X ∀ Y ¬Loves(x,y)
 - Somebody loves everybody: ∃x ∀y Loves(x,y)
 - Everyone doesn't like somebody ∀x ∃y ¬ Loves(x,y)
- Everybody is loved by somebody $\forall x \exists y Loves(y,x)$
 - Somebody is not loved by anybody ∃x ∀y ¬ Loves(y,x)



- For everyone, somebody does not love them $\forall x \exists y \neg Loves(y,x)$
- Everybody is loved by everybody \\delta x \,delta y Loves(y,x)
 - Somebody does not love someone ∃x ∃y ¬ Loves(y,x)







Scope of quantifiers



- Like in programming, a scope of a quantified variable continues until a new variable with the same name is introduced.
 - $\forall x (\exists y \ P(x, y)) \land (\exists y \ Q(x, y))$
 - For everybody there is somebody who loves them and somebody who hates them.
 - Not the same as $\forall x (\exists y \ P(x, y) \land Q(x, y))$
 - For everybody there is somebody who both loves and hates them.
- Better to avoid using same names for different variables it is confusing.

$$- \forall x (\exists y P(x, y)) \land (\exists y Q(x, y))$$

$$=$$

$$- \forall x (\exists y P(x, y)) \land (\exists z Q(x, z))$$

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$$- \forall x \exists y \exists z P(x, y) \land Q(x, z)$$

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$$- \forall x \exists z \exists y P(x, y) \land Q(x, z)$$

Equivalence for predicate logic

• Two predicate logic formulas are equivalent if they have the same truth value for every setting of free variables, no matter what the predicates are.

$$- (\exists y \ P(x, y)) \land (\exists y \ Q(x, y)) \\ \equiv$$

$$- (\exists y P(x, y)) \land (\exists z Q(x, z))$$

=

$$= \exists y \exists z P(x, y) \land Q(x, z)$$
$$\equiv$$

 $- \exists z \exists y P(x, y) \land Q(x, z)$

- But $\exists x \forall y P(x, y, z)$ is not equivalent to $\forall y \exists x P(x, y, z)$

Prenex normal form



- When all quantified variables have different names, can move all quantifiers to the front of the formula, and get an equivalent formula: this is called prenex normal form.
 - $\forall x \exists y \exists z P(x, y) \land Q(x, z) \text{ is in prenex normal form}$ $- \forall x (\exists y P(x, y)) \land (\exists z Q(x, z)) \text{ is not in prenex normal form.}$
- Be careful with implications: when in doubt, open into $\neg A \lor B$. Move all negations inside.
 - $\forall x \ ((\exists y P(x, y))) \rightarrow Q(x)) \text{ actually has two universal quantifiers!}$
 - Its equivalent in prenex normal form is $\forall x \forall y (\neg P(x, y) \lor Q(x))$

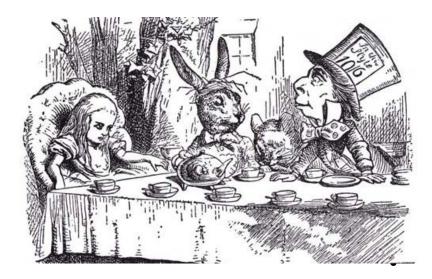
Quantifiers and conditionals

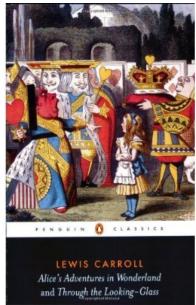
- Which statements are true?
 - All squares are white. All white shapes are squares
 - All circles are blue. All blue shapes are circles.



- All lemurs live in the trees. All animals living in the trees are lemurs.
- $\forall x \in S, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$
 - For all objects, if it is white, then it is a square.
 - If an object is white, then it is a square.
 - If an animal is a lemur, then it lives in the trees.

- Then you should say what you mean,' the March Hare went on.
- `I do,' Alice hastily replied; `at least-at least I mean what I say-that's the same thing, you know.'
- `Not the same thing a bit!' said the Hatter. `You might just as well say that "I see what I eat" is the same thing as "I eat what I see"!'
- `You might just as well say,' added the March Hare, `that "I like what I get" is the same thing as "I get what I like"!'
- You might just as well say,' added the Dormouse, who seemed to be talking in his sleep, `that "I breathe when I sleep" is the same thing as "I sleep when I breathe"!'





"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll